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SUBJECT: JAPAN'S RESPONSE ON INVITATION TO ARF WORKSHOP ON  
UNSCR 1540 IMPLEMENTATION

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(SBU) Embassy Tokyo Political Officer on December 27 delivered the "ARF Workshop on UNSCR 1540" documents to MOFA National Security Policy Division Deputy Director Akira Murakami, whose division has the lead on this issue. (Note: We also delivered them to the United Nations Policy Division and the Biological and Chemical Weapons Conventions Division.) Japan plans to participate but may not be able to determine who to send by the December 31 deadline due to the upcoming New Year holiday, Murakami explained. Murakami requested a U.S. delegation list and a list of participants from other countries to assist MOFA in identifying the appropriate officials to send. He also asked whether EAP Assistant Secretary Christopher Hill would be attending the entire workshop.  
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